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Monthly General Fund Revenue Receipts Through June 30, 2017

The attached spreadsheet presents FY 2017 General Fund total net receipts with comparable figures for actual FY 2016. The figures can be compared to the FY 2017 estimate of \$6.982 billion set by the Revenue Estimating Conference (REC) on March 14, 2017. The FY 2017 estimate is an increase of \$190.2 million (2.8%) compared to actual FY 2016 total net receipts (excludes transfers). The next REC meeting has not been scheduled.

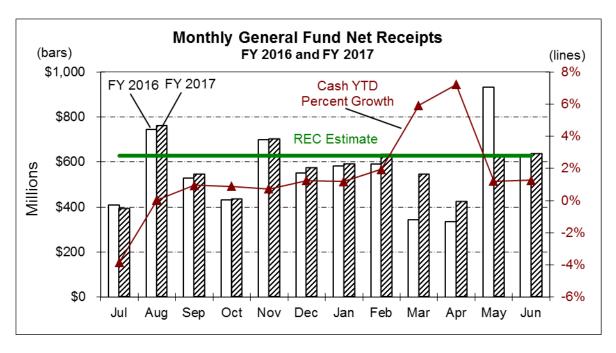
FY 2017 Monthly Estimate Comparison - Dollars in Millions Most Recent REC Adjusted Projected Growth for the Year, Excluding Transfers = 2.8%											
					Year-to-Date	Year-to-Date					
Year-to-	Year-to-	Year-to-			Change at REC	Above (Below)					
Date	Date FY	Date FY	Dollar	%	Estimate for the	Estimated					
Ending:	2016	2017	Change	_Change	Entire Year	Change					
July	\$ 407.6	\$ 392.1	\$ -15.5	-3.8%	\$ 11.4	\$ -26.9					
Aug	1,151.8	1,152.3	0.5	0.0%	32.3	-31.8					
Sept	1,680.7	1,696.8	16.1	1.0%	47.1	-31.0					
Oct	2,111.5	2,130.5	19.0	0.9%	59.1	-40.1					
Nov	2,812.2	2,832.8	20.6	0.7%	78.7	-58.1					
Dec	3,364.6	3,406.5	41.9	1.2%	94.2	-52.3					
Jan	3,948.3	3,995.2	46.9	1.2%	110.6	-63.7					
Feb	4,538.7	4,627.0	88.3	1.9%	127.1	-38.8					
Mar_	4,882.7	<u>5,172.4</u>	289.7	5.9%	136.7	153.0					
Apr	5,217.8	5,595.6	377.8	7.2%	146.1	231.7					
May	6,151.3	6,226.4	75.1	1.2%	172.2	-97.1					
<u>Jun</u>	6,776.7	6,862.0	85.3	1.3%	189.7	-104.4					
Year end	6,791.7										

Overview of Current Situation

June 2017 net General Fund revenue was \$10.4 million (1.7%) above the June 2016 revenue level. Cash fiscal year-to-date net receipts are \$85.3 million (1.3%) higher than FY 2016.

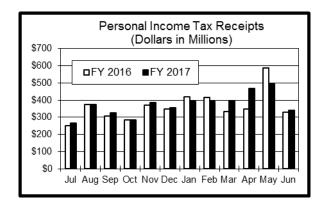
Major sources of revenue and their contributions to the FY 2017 year-to-date revenue change include:

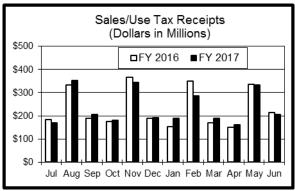
- Personal income tax (positive \$113.5 million, 2.6%)
- Sales/use tax (positive \$1.6 million, 0.1%)
- Corporate tax (positive \$29.2 million, 5.6%)
- Other taxes (negative \$9.0 million, -3.2%)
- Other receipts (positive \$13.2 million, 4.4%)
- Tax refunds not including school infrastructure refunds (negative \$59.4 million)
- School infrastructure sales/use tax refunds (negative \$3.8 million)



Personal Income Tax revenue received in June 2017 totaled \$339.6 million, an increase of \$11.9 million (3.6%) compared to June 2016.

The FY 2017 REC income tax estimate of \$4.532 billion represents a projected increase of 4.1% compared to actual FY 2016. Through June 2017, personal income tax receipts have increased \$113.5 million (2.6%). By subcategory, withholding payments increased \$119.9 million (3.5%), estimate payments decreased \$5.7 million (-1.1%), and payments with returns decreased \$0.8 million (-0.2%). The following chart compares FY 2016 and FY 2017 monthly income tax receipts from the three personal income tax subcategories.





Sales/Use Tax receipts received in June 2017 totaled \$205.6 million, a decrease of \$8.6 million (-4.0%) compared to June 2016.

The REC estimate for FY 2017 sales/use tax receipts is \$2.852 billion, a projected increase of 1.5% compared to actual FY 2016. Through June 2017, sales/use tax receipts increased \$1.6 million (0.1%). The preceding chart compares FY 2016 and FY 2017 monthly sales/use tax receipts.

Corporate Income Tax receipts received in June 2017 totaled \$97.7 million, an increase of \$7.4 million (8.2%) compared to June 2016.

The REC estimate for FY 2017 corporate tax revenue is \$ 520.4 million, a projected decrease of \$0.1 million (0.0%) compared to actual FY 2016. Through June 2017, corporate income tax receipts increased \$29.2 million (5.6%).

Other Tax Receipts received in June 2017 totaled \$38.0 million, a decrease of \$13.1 million (-25.6%) compared to June 2016. The decrease was in insurance premium tax revenue and this offset a similar-sized increase last month.

The REC estimate for FY 2017 other tax revenue is \$278.4 million, a projected decrease of 0.3% compared to actual FY 2016. Through June 2017, other tax receipts decreased \$9.0 million (-3.2%).

Other Receipts (nontax receipts) received in June 2017 totaled \$30.6 million, an increase of \$3.4 million (12.5%) compared to June 2016.

The REC estimate for FY 2017 other receipts revenue is \$304.3 million, a projected increase of 2.5% compared to actual FY 2016. Through June 2017, other receipts increased \$13.2 million (4.4%).

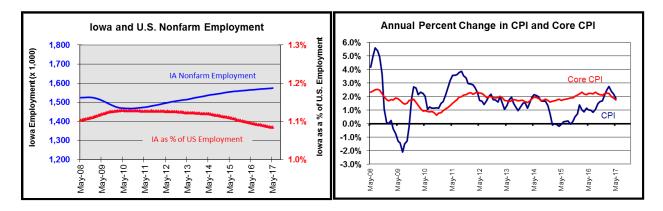
Tax Refunds issued in June 2017 totaled \$37.4 million, a decrease of \$7.9 million compared to June 2016. In addition to regular refunds, school infrastructure refunds totaled \$38.4 million, a decrease of \$1.3 million compared to June 2016.

Status of the Economy

lowa nonfarm employment was reported at 1,602,900 for the month of May 2017 (not seasonally adjusted), 18.600 (1.2%) higher than May 2016.

lowa's 12-month average nonfarm employment is presented as the blue line on the following graph. Iowa's average nonfarm employment peaked in October 2008 at 1,526,400, and was 47,700 above the peak prior to the previous recession (January 2001). The current 12-month average reading is now 1,574,800, resulting in an annual average lowa nonfarm employment level that is 48,400 above the October 2008 peak.

The employment chart also presents lowa nonfarm employment as a percent of U.S. nonfarm employment. Iowa's share of U.S. nonfarm employment decreased noticeably from 1999 through 2002, decreased at a much slower pace from 2002 through 2007, and increased from January 2008 through June 2010. Iowa's percent of U.S. employment has declined as the percentage growth in U.S. employment has exceeded the percentage growth in Iowa employment since June 2010. Iowa's percent of U.S. employment is currently is at its lowest level since October 1987.



The Consumer Price Index (CPI-U) through May 2017 was 244.7 (1983/84=100). Consumer prices increased in 0.1% May (not seasonally adjusted) and the annual rate of inflation slowed to 1.9%.

Core CPI, an inflation measure excluding food and energy expenditures, increased 0.1% in May and increased 1.7% year-over-year. This is the second month the core inflation rate has been below 2.0% since November 2015. For the two components excluded from the core rate, energy prices are up 5.4% year-over-year and food prices are up 0.9%.

Further information can be found on the Fiscal Services Division website related to <u>State General Fund Daily Receipts</u> and other <u>Iowa Economic Trends</u>.

GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS - FY 2017 vs. FY 2016 July 1 through June 30 (in millions of dollars)								ESTIMATED GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS (in millions of dollars)				
Dollars may not add due to rounding. Percentages calculated on rounded numbers.							FY 2016 A ctual Compared to FY 2017 REC Estimate					
					Year-to-Date	June		Actual		Estimate	Projected	
		FY 2016	F	Y 2017	% Change	% Change		FY 2016		FY 2017	% Change	
Personal Income Tax	\$	4,355.4	\$	4,468.9	2.6%	3.6%	\$	4,355.5	\$	4,531.9	4.1%	
Sales/Use Tax		2,810.7		2,812.3	0.1%	-4.0%		2,810.5		2,852.4	1.5%	
Corporate Income Tax		520.5		549.7	5.6%	8.2%		520.5		520.4	0.0%	
Inheritance Tax		91.8		86.2	-6.1%	-10.1%		91.8		89.6	-2.4%	
Insurance Premium Tax		119.7		114.8	-4.1%	-42.6%		119.7		120.5	0.7%	
Cigarette/Tobacco Tax		0.0		0.0	0.0%	0.0%		0.0		0.0	N.A.	
Beer/Liquor Tax		14.1		13.9	-1.4%	-7.1%		14.1		14.4	2.1%	
Franchise Tax		52.0		53.8	3.5%	6.9%		52.1		52.5	0.8%	
Miscellaneous Tax		1.5		1.4	-6.7%	-100.0%		1.5		1.4	-6.7%	
Total Gross Taxes	\$	7,965.7	\$	8,101.1	1.7%	-0.3%	\$	7,965.7	\$	8,183.1	2.7%	
Institutional Payments		12.1		11.5	-5.0%	-7.7%		12.1		8.1	-33.1%	
Liquor Profits		112.3		116.0	3.3%	17.3%		112.3		114.0	1.5%	
Interest		4.1		2.3	-43.9%	-40.0%		4.1		3.7	-9.8%	
Fees		28.0		25.4	-9.3%	19.2%		28.1		25.2	-10.3%	
Judicial Revenue		97.7		94.3	-3.5%	5.9%		97.7		97.7	0.0%	
Miscellaneous Receipts		42.7		60.6	41.9%	32.1%		42.7		55.6	30.2%	
Racing and Gaming Receipts		0.0		0.0	0.0%	0.0%		0.0		0.0	N.A.	
TOTAL GROSS RECEIPTS	\$	8,262.6	\$	8,411.2	1.8%	0.2%	\$	8,262.7	\$	8,487.4	2.7%	
Accrued Revenue-Net								14.2		29.1		
Tax Refunds *		-1,017.1		-1,076.5	5.8%	-17.4%		-1,018.3		-1,061.1	4.2%	
School Infrast. Refunds *		-468.8		-472.6	0.8%	-3.3%		-466.9		-473.5	1.4%	
TOTAL NET RECEIPTS	\$	6,776.7	\$	6,862.0	1.3%	1.7%	\$	6,791.7	\$	6,981.9	2.8%	

^{*} For the Year-to-Date columns, refunds are presented on a cash basis. For FY 2016 Actual and FY 2017 Estimate, refunds are presented on a fiscal year basis. The FY 2016 Actual column is final.